IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 3/53
John Shigeura (DECEASED))	Examiner: To be assigned
Serial No.: 10/763,537)	
Filed: January 23, 2004)	
For: Heat Transfer for Thermal Cycling)	
Confirmation No. 9226)	
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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on <u>January 23, 2004</u>, and the Official Updated Filing Receipt was mailed <u>September 2, 2004</u>. Since then, we have yet to receive an office action from the Patent Office regarding this application.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Commissioner advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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